c. c. you. We therefore wish some two of you to remove, for a while, to some Place where the Claimants wait on you for the Examination of their Accounts.

We are Gent &ca

Commissioners of the Board of Acc's Annapolis

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Saturday 6. September 1777.

Commission issued to Baker Johnson appointed Col of the thirty fourth Batt. of Militia in Frederick County he having left his former Com^o at Home

Commission issued to Thomas Watkins appointed Captain of a Comp^y in the South River Batt. of Militia in Ann Arundel

County

Ordered That the western shore Treasurer pay to Col. Darby Lux six hundred pounds for the use of his Batt now on Duty to be acctd for

C. C. Original.

[William Paca to Gov. Johnson.]

D' Sir: I herewith send you a most incorrigible fellow, the Rev. John Patterson; he has been endeavouring to throw every Obstacle in the way to calling forth our militia, and has violated the Execution of our Laws; he is the most provoking exasperating mortal that ever existed; we have great reasons to suspect him of being concerned with one Chambers of this county who is now with the Enemy conducting them on their ravaging and plundering Parties. I hope he will be taken good care of and well guarded.

I am sorry to inform you of an Insurrection of Tories on the Borders of Queen Ann's & Caroline Counties headed by some scoundrel Methodist Preachers. A Body of eighty assembled in arms, were dispersed, three have since been apprehended. The Captain & Chief Methodist Preacher are among the Captives. Col. Richardson remains in Caroline County to

suppress those that are there assembled.

Col^o Gist is at Camp & has the Command. Col. Richardson's Battalion is arrived; our militia are daily assembling and our force grows formidable; but I am told the Cecil County militia & Talbot & the Counties lower down are collecting in great disorder from want of Commissions. I wrote you in my last the necessity of providing Commissions.

We are raising a Company of Light Horse in Queen Ann's County where there are excellent Horses, and shall form one

in a day or two and be able to equip them.

Your supply of Tents &c. were very acceptable. With the sails of Ships which necessity urged us to take, I hope we shall make out a tolerable covering for our men.